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SUBJECT: KANGAROO PRODUCTS IMPORTS INTO U.S.

REFS: (A) CANBERRA 3883

(B) CANBERRA A-161, JULY 18, 1973

1. YOUR A-161 RECEIVED SEPTEMBER 26. ENCLOSURES ARE MOST HELPFUL AND APPRECIATED. U.S. REGULATIONS PERMIT IMPORTATION OF KANGAROO PRODUCTS TAKEN AND EXPORTED LAWFULLY FROM AUSTRALIA UNLESS THE ANIMAL FROM WHICH SUCH PRODUCT IS DERIVES IS ON THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR'S LIST OF ENDANGERED FOREIGN FISH AND WILDLIFE. THE RED KANGAROO, THE WESTERN GREY KANGAROO AND THE EASTERN GREY KANGAROO (EXCEPT THE TASMANIAN SUBSPECIES), HAVE NOT REPEAT HAVE NOT BEEN PLACED ON THAT LIST.

2. THE WILDLIFE MUST COME INTO THE UNITED STATES THROUGH UNCLASSIFIED

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ONE OF THE EIGHT SPECIALLY DESIGNATED PORTS. IF THE

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN REGULATES THE TAKING, TRANSPORTATION OR SALE OF THE WILDLIFE THE SHIPMENT MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY DOCUMENTATION ATTESTING TO ITS LEGALITY IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING FORMS.

A. AN EXPORT DOCUMENT, B. A DOCUMENT FROM AN APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL STATING THAT THE WILDLIFE WERE LAWFULLY TAKEN TRANSPORTED AND/OR SOLD, OR C. IN LIEU OF THESE A CERTIFICATE FROM AN AMERICAN CONSUL STATING THE WILDLIFE WAS LAWFULLY TAKEN, TRANSPORTED OR SOLD. THE CONTAINER IN WHICH THE ITEMS ARE SHIPPED MUST BE MARKED LABELLED OR TAGGED TO PLAINLY INDICATE THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE SHIPPER AND THE CONSIGNEE AND AN ACCURATE STATEMENT SHOWING THE CONTENTS BY NUMBER AND KIND. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE THE FILING OF A FORM 3-177 DECLARATION OF IMPORTATION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE IS NECESSARY.

3. EXCEPTION TO THE DESIGNATED PORT REQUIREMENT IS ALLOWED IF THE ARTICLE BEING IMPORTED IS A NON-LIVING PRODUCT, IS AN ACCOMPANIED PERSONAL EFFECT AND IS NOT DERIVED FROM AN ENDANGERED SPECIES.

4. FYI - FINAL CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON NEW ENDANGERED AND THREATENED SPECIES ACT OF 1973 IS IMMINENT. THIS NEW LAW WILL EXPAND CONCEPT OF "ENDANGERED SPECIES" TO INCLUDE THOSE "THREATENED WITH BECOMING ENDANGERED." THIS MAY HAVE RELEVANCE TO KANGAROO SITUATION. EMBASSY WILL BE KEPT INFORMED. KISSINGER

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